

NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Joe W. Stecher, the Lincoln Police Department and the Lancaster County Sheriff's Office announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release: United States District Judge Warren K. Urbom sentenced Rodney Bredemeier, Jr. to 11 years and three months in prison for conspiracy to distribute over 50 grams of crack cocaine over a seven month period. On January 18, 2008, an undercover officer with the Lincoln/Lancaster County Narcotics Task Force purchased over five grams of crack cocaine from Bredemeier. Information from other witnesses led to Bredemeier's indictment and conviction. At sentencing, Judge Urbom found Bredemeier was involved in the distribution of over 600 grams of crack cocaine.

Name of Defendant: Rodney Bredemeier, Jr.

AKA:

Age: 23

City of residence: Lincoln

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty):

Count I: Conspiracy to distribute and possess with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of crack cocaine

10 years to life in prison, fine up to \$4,000,000, not less than five years supervised release

Specific Location of Alleged Crime:

Location of Arrest: Lincoln, NE

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: over 50 grams of crack cocaine

Others Charged in Same Scheme:

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: Ct I: November 1, 2007 through May 31, 2008

Federal Arrest Date: August 26, 2008

Date Complaint Issued:

Indictment Returned Date: August 20, 2008

Initial Appearance Date: August 27, 2008

Plea or Trial and Date(s): pled November 5, 2008

Sentencing Date: January 26, 2009

Next Court Hearing Type and Date:

Assigned Magistrate Judge: David L. Piester

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: held without bond

In Continuous Custody Since: August 26, 2008

Assigned District Court Judge: Warren K. Urbom

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